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Upon a review of the allowed claims, it was noted that claims 22, 29 and 30 depend upon claim 31 rather than claim 21, which is not proper at allowance.

Upon inquiry by the examiner on October 31, 2006, applicant noted that claims 22, 29, and 30 were correct in their dependency on claim 31 (versus claim 21).

The examiner indicated that the allowed claims 21, 22, 29, 30, 31 and 32 will be re-numbered 1, 4-6, 2-3, accordingly.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Phillip Gambel whose telephone number is (571) 272-0844. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm. A message may be left on the examiner's voice mail service. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christina Chan can be reached on (571) 272-0841.

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